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In re Application of: William Gross

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For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR RANKING

**ITEMS** 

Examiner: James S. McClellan

Group Art Unit: 3627

## THIRD SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and §§1.97-1.98, and more particularly in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(4), it is respectfully requested that this Third Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement be entered

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and the documents listed below and on the attached Form PTO-1449 be considered by the Examiner and made of record.

The references now cited are the following:

**U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS** 

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### **NON-PATENT DOCUMENTS**

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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(g), (h), this Third Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is not to be construed as a representation that a search has been made and is not to be construed to be an admission that the information cited is, or is considered to be, material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(b).

Applicant has calculated a processing fee in the amount of \$180.00 to be due under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p) in connection with the filing of this Statement. Applicant has enclosed a check covering this fee, or authorized charging the fee to a deposit account or credit card, as indicated in the Transmittal accompanying this Statement.

Applicant respectfully requests that the listed documents be made of record in the present case.

Respectfully submitted,

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